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Dear UWM Students

The Student Housing Administrative Council is pleased to write a letter in support of students voting yes on the 2017 UWM Student Union Referendum to be proposed to the UW system and the state of Wisconsin Board of Regents.

After meeting with the Union Director Rick Thomas and spending time researching the facts behind the push for the student referendum, SHAC believes that the most financially responsible option for students would be to build a new Student Union. Our Current Union has received a D rating for function and an F rating for condition, stemming from the fact that our union was built over 60 years ago and has not been renovated since. These old systems paired with the 34 million dollars in repairs estimated before 2023 will raise fees alone. A vote of yes from the students stands to cap out the fees we are currently paying at a lower cost than that of students voting no.

SHAC fully supports the student referendum as it seeks to gain support from our students in the construction of a new student union.

Sincerely,

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